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SENATOR CUDABACK: You have about a minute and a half, Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...thank you for your time. The LR 146 study that was done was done to answer, as I understand it, a question on what might the impact on statewide valuation be, in response to Senator Landis' question on the floor, should we have to raise the sales tax a quarter of a percent, what might be the impact? To arrive at that, the committee staff had to pick a set of...of statistics to use. Senator...Dr. Bruce Johnson does an annual survey of cash rents across the state of Nebraska for each county and there's a range, a range depending upon the productivity of the land and its location within the state and all of those things that those of us in agriculture are familiar with. From that, that figure was applied across the board to all of the classes, all of the production classes of irrigated land in the county, all of the production classes of dryland, and all of the production classes of...of pasture. So, in truth, in truth, in effect the results would be something other than that because what you would do is...is adjust, as the bill provides and as the amendment provides, those figures, whether it's the average county crop share rental or the average range of cash rent for the productivity ranges and the land use, land classification system, irrigated, dryland or whatever that might be. So the LR 146 study...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...did not exactly indicate what for sure would be the results.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Dierks and Senator Coordsen. (Visitors introduced.) On with discussion of the Coordsen amendment, AM2934, to LB 600, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I am trying to be as intellectually agile as I can this morning. With the amendment that is before us, there are differences from what is in the committee amendment, which we adopted yesterday, and now is the bill. It is difficult for me, as much agility of